

## Summary

**Phase contrast X-ray device for creating a phase contrast image of an object and method for creating the phase contrast image**

The invention concerns a phase contrast X-ray device (1) for  
5 creating a phase contrast image of at least one object (4) with at  
least one X-ray source (2) for generating an X-radiation that has a  
specific spatial coherence (14) within a specific optical distance  
(6) to the X-ray source and at least one evaluation unit (16) for  
10 converting the X-radiation after the X-radiation has passed through  
the object arranged within the optical distance to the X-ray source  
in the phase contrast image of the object. The phase contrast X-ray  
device is characterized in that the X-ray source has an output  
ranging from 50 W up to and including 10 kW and a spatial coherence  
15 length of the X-radiation has been selected within the optical  
distance to the X-ray source ranging from 0,05  $\mu\text{m}$ . This is obtained  
by using an X-ray source with line-shaped focus (7) and/or by  
monochromating the X-radiation by using a gradient multilayer  
reflector (20). With monochromating, the X-radiation has a temporal  
20 coherence (15) suitable for recording the phase contrast image of a  
thicker object. The X-ray device is suitable for use in medical  
technology and the non-destructive material testing.